# VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE SPECIAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Department of Health Professions

Henrico, Virginia

**Perimeter Center** 

9960 Mayland Drive, Suite #300

CALL TO ORDER:

A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to

order at 9:16 a.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Jane Piness, M.D., Chair

Sandra A. Bell, M.D. Wayne Reynolds, D.O.

STAFF PRESENT:

Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline

Renée S. Dixson, Discipline Case Manager Kelley Wynne, Adjudication Specialist

**OTHERS PRESENT:** 

Parents of Patient A

Ann Jones, Esquire

Carolyn Juran, Acting Executive Director of Board of Pharmacy

MATTER:

Elizabeth Rice Martin, M.D.

License No.: 0101-102666

Case No.: 127915

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Martin appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated March 11, 2010. Dr. Martin was represented by Michael L. Goodman, Esquire &

Kristi Vanderlaan, Esquire.

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice

with Dr. Martin.

**CLOSED SESSION:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Reynolds, and duly seconded by Dr. Bell, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Martin. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Dixson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the

Committee in its deliberations.

**RECONVENE:** 

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its

decision.

**DECISION:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Bell, and duly seconded by Dr.

Reynolds, the Committee voted to dismiss the matter.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

The Committee adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

Jane Piness, M.D., Chair

19/28/10

Date

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CALL TO ORDER:

A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to

order at 11:16 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Wayne Reynolds, D.O., Chair

Jane Piness, M.D. Sandra A. Bell, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline

Renée S. Dixson, Discipline Case Manager Virginia Scher, Adjudication Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Dan Barks, Esquire

Parents of Patient E

MATTER:

Dean Harris Woodard, M.D.

License No.: 0101-102666

Case No.: 129112, 131657

PRELIMINARY MATTERS:

The Chair noted that the time was 11:22 a.m. and Dr. Woodard was not present. Board staff advised that telephone contact had been made with Dr. Woodard just prior to the convening of the informal conference. Dr. Woodard advised that he would not be attending the informal conference since he thought his attorney was handling the matter, and was going to ask for a continuance. Dr. Woodard stated that it appears that there was mis-communication between him and his attorney. Staff advised Dr. Woodard that no communication had been received from any counsel noting representation of Dr.

Woodard in this pending matter before the Board.

**RULING:** 

Base on the representation of Board staff and the information provided by Dr. Woodard, the Chair ruled that proper notice had been provided to Dr. Woodard, therefore, the informal

conference would proceed in his absense.

#### **DISCUSSION:**

Dr. Woodard did not appear before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 27, 2010, nor was he represented by counsel.

The Committee reviewed the informal conference materials and received information from the parents of Patient E.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Bell, and duly seconded by Dr. Piness, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to \$2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Woodard. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Dixson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

#### **RECONVENE:**

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

### **DECISION:**

Upon a motion by Dr. Bell, and duly seconded by Dr. Piness, the Committee voted to refer this matter to the Board for a formal hearing since suspension or revocation of Dr. Woodard's license may be justified, which is not within the authority of this Committee pursuant to Va. Code Section 54.1-2400 (10).

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

The Committee adjourned at 11:43 a.m.

A formal hearing will be scheduled for a future date for a final determination.

Wayne Reynolds, D.O., Chair

Date

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**CALL TO ORDER:** 

A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to

order at 2:15 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sandra A. Bell, M.D., Chair

Wayne Reynolds, D.O.

Jane Piness, M.D.

STAFF PRESENT:

Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline

Renée S. Dixson, Discipline Case Manager Virginia Scher, Adjudication Specialist

OTHERS PRESENT:

Amy Stewart, Case Manager, HPMP

Dr. Penny Zeigler, Medical Director, HPMP

Mr. Heatwole

MATTER:

Katharine Wagner Heatwole, M.D. License No.: 0101-046383

Case No.: 131179

**DISCUSSION:** 

Dr. Heatwole appeared before the Committee in person in accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 22, 2010. Dr. Heatwole was represented by Michael L. Goodman, Esquire.

The Committee discussed the allegations in the Notice with Dr. Heatwole and reviewed her application for reinstatement.

**CLOSED SESSION:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Piness, and duly seconded by Dr. Reynolds, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Heatwole. Additionally, she moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Dixson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the Committee in its deliberations.

RECONVENE:

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its decision.

**DECISION:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Reynolds, and duly seconded by Dr. Piness, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to reinstate Dr. Heatwole's license to a full and unrestricted status.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Heatwole, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against her is received from Dr. Heatwole, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added.

Sandra A. Bell, M.D., Chair

10-14-10

William L. Harp, M,D., Executive Director

Date

Date

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CALL TO ORDER:

A Special Conference Committee of the Board was called to

order at 3:30 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sandra A. Bell, M.D., Chair

Wayne Reynolds, D.O.

Jane Piness, M.D.

**STAFF PRESENT:** 

Jennifer L. Deschenes, Deputy Executive Director, Discipline

Renée S. Dixson, Discipline Case Manager Virginia Scher, Adjudication Specialist

MATTER:

Donald Lee Cochran, M.D.

License No.: 0101-050341

Case No.: 125328

DISCUSSION:

Dr. Cochran appeared before the Committee in person in

accordance with a Notice of the Board dated July 27, 2010. Dr.

Cochran was represented by Harold E. Bell, Esquire

The Committee fully discussed the allegations in the Notice

with Dr. Cochran.

**CLOSED SESSION:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Reynolds, and duly seconded by Dr. Piness, the Committee voted to convene a closed meeting

pursuant to \$2.2-3711.A (27) of the Code of Virginia, for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Dr. Cochran. Additionally, he moved that Ms. Deschenes and Ms. Dixson attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the

Committee in its deliberations.

**RECONVENE:** 

Having certified that the matters discussed in the preceding

closed session met the requirements of §2.2-3712 of the Code, the Committee re-convened in open session and announced its

decision.

**DECISION:** 

Upon a motion by Dr. Piness, and duly seconded by Dr. Reynolds, the Committee made certain Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law and voted to issue Dr. Cochran a reprimand.

VOTE:

The vote was unanimous.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Committee adjourned at 4:46 p.m.

As provided by law this decision shall become a Final Order thirty (30) days after service of such Order on Dr. Cochran, unless a written request to the Board for a formal hearing on the allegations made against him is received from Dr. Cochran, within such time. If service of the Order is made by mail three (3) additional days shall be added to that period. Upon such timely request for a formal hearing, the decision of the Special Conference Committee shall be vacated.

Sandra A. Bell, M.D., Chair

18-14-18